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Supplementary Information

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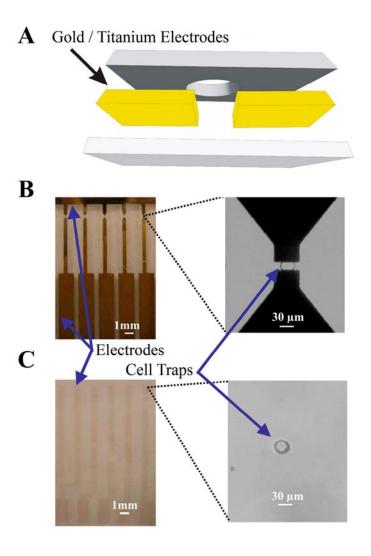
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Loading cells with fluorescent compounds. Cells were incubated in ECB buffer with fluorescein diacetate (3.3 μ M) and Oregon Green carboxylic acid diacetate (6.6 μ M) for 30 min at room temperature. The ECB solution was then replaced with DMEM cutlture medium and the cells placed in an incubator (37°C, 5% CO₂) for 15 min. The cells were washed and immediately used for analyses.

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Fig. S1. Comparison of the two different cell trap-electrode designs. A) Depiction of the two-electrode design. The electrodes were composed of gold overlying titanium. B) Images of the two-electrode design. The left image shows the upper and lower electrode addressing the cell trap. The right image is a close-up of the cell trap with the two underlying electrodes. C) Images of the single-electrode design. The left image shows the parallel lines of electrodes which are nearly transparent since they consist of a thin layer of indium tin oxide. The right image is of a single cell trap overlying an electrode.



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Fig. S2. Delamination of SU-8 on glass upon exposure to aqueous solutions. A, B) Images of SU-8 delamination after incubation in an aqueous buffer for 2 hours.

